

1. (Twice amended) A method of decorating an article of glazed tableware comprising the steps of:

(a) mixing a thermochromic water-based ink with a first coating material to form a first coating mixture;

(b) applying the first coating mixture directly onto substantially the whole outer surface of the tableware article by spraying;

(c) once the first coating mixture is set, applying a second transparent coating material over the first coating mixture;

wherein the second coating material is substantially dishwasher proof.

18. (Twice amended) A method according to claim 1 where said second coating material is applied to the article by spraying.

21. (Twice amended) A method according to claim 18 wherein the mixture and the second coating material are sprayed to a thickness of between 12 and 24 microns.

Please add the following new claim:

24. The method according to Claim 1, wherein an electrostatic thinner is added to at least one of said mixture and said second coating material prior to spraying.